## BANKS OF PEARLS.

Wings in a Tropic Sea.

## Bosom of the Indian Ocean.

Colombo, Ceylon, September 25. 1881.—Ceylon has long been justly gun, about which hour a gentle breeze celebrated for them, and site of the begins to blow off the land. Then all principal fishery is Salivaturia, in the the boats belonging to that day's divibay of Condatchy, about 135 miles sion spread their broad, white sails north of Colombo. When your correspondent first visited this place, in skim away into the darkness. Their 1861, there had not been any fishing course is towards the banks, some fiffor several years, the oysters having teen miles distant, lying in twelve suddenly disappeared some time pre- fathours of water. The part of the vious. Now, however, a new deposit had about matured, which, it was decided, should be fished the following year. Here let me remark that this disappearance of the pearl mollusk, and its total absence from the banks, and its total absence from the banks state, is unfortunately no uncommon occurrence, though the cause is sometimes a mysterp which many people explain in many ways, each having his own pet theory. Some think that skates and water snakes, which abound on the banks, destroy them; others say that abnormal currents in some years sweep down upon the banks, bringing from Manaar and vious. Now, however, a new deposit bank for the day's fishing has been banks, bringing from Manaar and Tanneben, which are just above, muddy deposits which poison the water, rendering it uninhabitable for the delicate oyster; but my lamented the delicate oyster; but my lamented though I have heard of, without see stumble most egregiously in syntax, when see puts her ten to paper. The results of too much the ry and no practice to speak of are seen every day in the effusions of profes or and public m. The earce wils of which The Tribune has ong complained, and it is pleasant to see that school authe delicate oyster; but my lamented breeze sets in, or until the sun closses and it is pleasant to see that school aufriend, the late Captain James Worst the meridian; after which it is very toritis in many directions are prociving ley, some time inspector for Ceylon difficult to induce the men to go and correcting them. The Republican and Tuticoran pearl banks, was of down, they claiming that it makes the schools to teach among other the opinion that the most mischief them ill. So, after noon the boats things the duties of citizenship.

The pearl mollusk of Ceylon, of which there are several varieties, notably the leaf oyster and beetel oyster, has a similar hinge to the mother of pearl oyster, but is not half the size of the latter, and owing to thinness and want of quality in the lining of the shells, they have little commercial value. The pearls, how ever, are unsurpassable for shape and color, and always commin 1 a high The spawn flats about in coagulated masses itself to rocks, anchors, buoys or any other object suitable to cling to, and if left undisturbed, will frequently develop and mature all along the west coast of the island, and affixes in these old localities. I have often seen the ovsters at Colombo on old anchors lately recovered after years of immersion, and on buoys set to mark the dangers to navi-

THE EXCITEMENT AT THE PISHERY. ber, and when the examination indicates that the systers contains sufficiently large pearls to pay for fishing respondent.

notice is published in the Ceylon and A LUSTY MOO Indian newspapers that a fishing will be allowed the next year; generally in March; say from the first of March to the end of April. fifty or sixty days, which was about the period occupied by the work your correspondent at-tended in 1862. The notice being given, a general rush then takes place of many thousand people to Salivaturia, and in the few days marking the close of the month of February such a transformation scene occurs in that dreary locality as no one without witnessing it can realize. For the solitary uninhabited waste is suddenly peopled by a motley throng, representing almost every Asiatic nationality and sect-Chinamen from the far east and Afghans from the farthest northwest, besides people from Europe and Africa, though seldom from America. Two or three hundred boats, of ten to twenty tons burden, each laden with passengers, goods, chattels and light building materials, moor along the shore, and forthwith, like magic, a home of desolation, and is taken possession of by a cosmopolitan multi-

BOUGHLY BUILT BUT GAUDY CRAFT. The boats that engage in fishery are one pilot, ten oarsmen and ten divers. A government peon also generally goes in each boat to prevent tamperfishers is one-third of the catch of eye had detected the rough in swalthe oysters. The government taking lowing, hence the pursuit and hence the other two-thirds. The boats generally are divided into divisions of 100 each and given distinguishing colors, say red and blue. Each boat has one mast and an immense goosewind sail. They are roughly built, but sometimes gaudily painted, especially those from Colombo, of which, however, there are but a few, as they mostly come from the Coromandel coast of India and the northern ports of Ceylon.

The boats genthal the treatment.

One day's experience at the pearling about war? He has a cousin who married about war? He has a cousin who married a man by the name of Gunn.

A stranger passing through southern Miss uri was arrested by sounds of revelupted in the above, yields to the government, which monopolizes it, about \$250,000, at least \$200,000 of which would probably be net profit, as the coat of supervision is not great. The actual value of the pearling a snake story; and the pearling a snake story; and the pearling as a snake story; and the p the other two-thirds. The boats gen-

Preliminary to all fishing operations, the sharks may be charmed, and this mummery is performed by professed conjurors known as "shark-charmers," who, a day or two prior to the com-mencemet of fishing, indulge in cer-tain disbolical enchantments, and afterwards, say every day when the bosts are out. they stand on the shore muttering prayers, contorting their faces and assuming bodily attitudes the most grotesque imaginable, besides going through other senseless cere
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monies too numerous and foolish to mention, all the while abstaining from A Midnight Fleet of White food. Strange to say, without this nonsense not a diver would go into the water, whereas with it they are as brave as heroes, and should a shark attack them the would, as they have Jeweled Oysters Plucked From the frequently done, courageously assault and slay him with their knives.

DIVING FOR THE GEMS. The arrangements for fishing comnence at midnight by the firing of a

was caused by fishermen, who were in the habit of illegally drawing long ing on before a fair wind under a press of sail, which, without their ballast of oysters, they couldn't begin to carry safely. Of course, the return from the banks are supposed to be guarded, and was so sure to disturb and detach the oysters from their moorings—for they adhere to the rocks by a delicate prehensile ligament, that, to use his own words, "no wonder the bivalves were swept away and destroyed." It is probable, however, that they disappear from a combination of the foreigning causes, with perhaps another mot yet discovered.

The pearl mollusk of Ceylon, of

A DECOMPOSING MASS OF RICHNESS.

Ar ived on shore, the oysters are in the public school was exhaustively disbeing offered at a time, the purchaser of that thousand to say on the spot how many more he will take at the same price. This operation is repeated until all the oysters are sold, after which delivery is given from the pens. The bivalves are piled in heaps by the purchasers and left to rot until the stench arising from their putrescence the time of their maturity, but I think they produce small marketable pearls at four years, quite large ones at five is most abominable. To endure this at four years, quite large ones at five pearls, as otherwise his laborers would years, maturing and dying at six years undoubtedly steal the best of them, a feat they sometimes accomplish, not-ally inspected once a year, in Novem-withstanding the greatest watchfulundoubtedly steal the best of them, a withstanding the greatest watchfulness, as witness a ludicrous occurrence

which came under the eye of your cor-A LUSTY MOOR AND A THIEVING COOLIF One hot afternoon when sauntering past the pen of a large speculator, I was suddenly run into and nearly capsized by a coolie, who darted out of a timer. narrow gateway. He was followed a moment later by a huge Moor, the proprietor, who started off in chase of proprietor, who started off in chase of making long tracks for the neighboring jungle and at a pace which, judging from the circumstances I, as a racing man, considered would prevent his being takeh. The Moor was not only as fat as a hog, but had his legs encased in baggy trousers, and his upper person in a white tunic overtopped in grand style by an immense yellow and white turban, which gave his head the appearance of a highly decorated bushel basket, whereas the coolie seemed light, lithe and strong, and not in the least incumbent with cothes, besides having he advantage of a long start. You may be sure I watched the race with interest, and was surprised to large and well appointed town springs up in what was but yesterday the home of desolation, and is taken pos-In this the coolie might tude, largely composed of thieves, vaga sonds and jugglers, who do not forget to begin to immediately ply their several vocations. Over this impromptu settlement the government agent of the northern province, mr. Twyncan, assisted by a police and small military force, holds despotic sway, and it would be hard to find a better man for such a difficult and trying position.

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To be been allowed to reach it, and that he bed in the bed in the part of the disin't go and deliberately pawn his ulster for \$3.05 when he knew perfectly well that July wasn't going to last all winter.

A Rochester street-car horse shot out with his heels the other day, and hit the other, and an investigation showed that he had kicked six dollars into the driver's overcoat pocket. Such wonderful sagacity on the part of the horse caused the discharge of the driver.

My surprise at the result of the race. probably have found concealment had divest himself of his gaudy apparel. My surprise at the result of the race, though great, was soon increased by seeing a dose of medicine (a strong manned by twenty-one men each—say purgative) administered to the coolie. which had the effect of cooling his blood, I guess, besides resulting in the recovery some hours later on, of a ing with the oysters and robbery of nice pearl, valued by the Moor at £50, the pearls. The remuneration to the say \$250. This the master's quick

> the treatment. half a million dollars, as most of the speculators generally, make large profits, and there are, besides, the

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You are sick; well, there is just one remedy that will cure you beyond possibility or doubt. If it's Liver or Kidney trouble, Consumption, Dyspersia, Debility, Sour hope.

### EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

The University of Wisc n in has 40; tudents, 119 teing special stucents. The 895 English tea h rs of St. Louis mblic schools receive an average salary o

Bates College-which from its organization eighte n years ago has been open t-women has now 148 stud nt . The proposed University of Texas will

prolably be long in beilding, as the regents discover that they have a their disposal only \$37,000 of the \$1 0.0 0 necess ry. The fu d for the establi hment of "Gareld Processorship, at Williams College, is woren lies \$ 8, (0, of which more than one half was contributed in New York

Dartmouth has now 426 students. The f eshman class has is members, the smallest number for many years. The average number in this class from 1866 to 1880 in

clusive was 72. The teachers in the Milwankee evening

Students of the academic department o

landed and divided, the boatmen either seelling their one-third share on the spot or hawking them in the bazaar, and the government storing its two-thirds share in large pens protected by strong palisades. At 4 p. the government agent assisted by the government agent m; the government agent, assisted by native factorums, begins his sale—a kind of auction conducted in teacher said that often in his reading Tamil, the language of south-era India, and mostly spoken by the buyers—a thousand oysters and afterward aloud, such parts as were peculiarly interesting to them, thus cultivating reading. He classed that the best Jesuits had fairest tests in reading were obtained in inst uctive rather than in voice culture reading.

### PEPPERMENT DROPS.

It takes just three people to keep a secret properly, but two of the three must be dead.

A Philadelphia man undertakes to re-cover umbrellas, but of course does it with

A Philadelphia actor lugged away a pound of butter from a boarding-h he other day, mistaking it for a wig. The great scarcity of cabbago this year leads the New Haven Register to detect a slight flavor of tobacco in Connecticut

If a fellow goes skating for the first time he can never tell what's going to turn up.—[New York Commercial Adver-

A Wisconsin man stole thirty-nine sheep and a steer, but the warrant charged him with stealing thirty-nine steers and a sheep and he left the court room with all

his reputation restored. When a southern man has lots of chick-ens in his hen-house, the neighbors turn out and elect him to congress, so they can take a whack at the fowls with nebody to

interfere. Congress is of some use to this

Yes, Algernon, heaven indeed tempera the wind to the shorn lamb. But then you must remember the lamb was forcibly shorn against his will; he disin't go and de-liberately pawn his ulster for \$3.65 when

"What do you mean by disturbing me at this hour of the night?" asked an Austin d ctor angrily to a negro who woke him at three o clock in the morning. "I jess al-lowed boss, dat yer was so busy yer didn't hab time twr 'tend ter poor folks in der day time, so I 'lowed I'd jess drap in after supper,"—[Texas Siftings.

This is a Fourth Corporal. He walks stiff Legged behind a company of soldiers and carries a musket at half-mast. He is fond of human blood and delights in carnage. Has the fourth corporal ever been in a war? No. Then what does he know

oner.

Is this a brass foundry? No, it is speculators generally, make large profits, and there are, besides, the boatmen's and divers' shares, worth \$100,000, to be counted in.

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A Pennsylvania peddler has for his own wear twenty suits of clothes, twenty-four overcoats and thirty-three pairs of kid

gloves. Even a New Jersey bank cashier, in a l his glory, is not arrayed more to an one of t ese. Pennsylvania is a greatate for many clothing anyhow. A native Dutch is mer who deesn't put o nineteen vests and six woolen comforter. every morning, all the year round, can't get into good sec ety,

A woman residing at Reading, Pa., A woman residing at Reading, Pa., has a tongue of extraordinary length, which she rests while sleeping by hancing it down to a point conside able below her ci in. An Irish servant girl, who had be-n instructed to wake her early one morning, came flying bac to the kitchen from her mission with nale cheeks and startling eves. "What's the matter?" asked the cok. "Matter enuf!" exclaimed Biddy, "shure the nisthress has swallowed a snake." The cook burst into lauther, whereupon the girl added: "It's no loie I'm telling ye's b go reh, wid me own eyes I saw the tail of it stickin' out of her mouth."

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